

2006 JUDICIAL ELECTIONS SEMINAR & WEBCAST



FILING FOR CANDIDACY, CAMPAIGN REPORTS, & PROPER CONTRIBUTIONS

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**CANDIDATE COMMITTEE STATEMENT OF
ORGANIZATION**

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/CANSofoWithEF_71512_7.pdf



ORIGINAL OR AMENDED

STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION FORM FOR CANDIDATE COMMITTEES

1. Committee ID #:

2. Type of Filing:

Original

Amendment to Items: _____ Eff. Date: _____

3. Full Name of Committee (must include Candidate's first and last name):

4a. Candidate Full Name (Last, First, M.I.):

4b. Political Party (if applicable):

4c. County of Residence:

4d. Office Sought (Check one):

Governor	Lt. Governor	State Senator
State Rep.	Sec. of State	Attorney Gen.
State Bd. of Ed.	UofM Reg.	MSU Trustee
WSU Gov.	Supreme Court	Appeals Court
Circuit Court	District Court	Probate Court
Municipal Court		

Local or other please specify:

4e. District/Circuit # or Jurisdiction:

5. Date Committee was Formed: _____

6a. Committee Phone #: _____

6b. Committee Fax #: _____

6c. Committee E-mail Address:

7a. Complete Comm. Mailing Address (May be PO Box):

7b. Complete Comm. Street Address (May not be PO Box):

8. Treasurer Name and Complete Address:

Phone #: _____

E-mail Address:

9. Designated Record Keeper Name and Complete Address:

Phone #: _____

E-mail Address:

10. **REPORTING WAIVER REQUEST:** If the committee does not expect to receive or expend in excess of \$1,000 in an election and checks this box, the filing requirement of pre, post and annual campaign statements is waived. The Reporting Waiver will be automatically lost if the committee exceeds the \$1,000 threshold.

11. **Name and Address of Depositories** or Intended Depositories of committee funds. (Michigan Bank, Credit Union or Savings & Loan Association)

a. Official Depository

b. Secondary Depository

12. ***This item applies only to Gubernatorial Candidate Committees: Check if this committee intends to seek qualifying contributions or make qualifying expenditures.***

13. **ELECTRONIC FILING:** This item applies to committees that file with the Michigan Department of State Bureau of Elections only and does not apply to candidates that file with the County Clerk's office.

The Campaign Finance Act requires any committee that files with the Secretary of State and spends or receives \$20,000 in the preceding calendar year OR expects to receive or spend \$20,000 in the current calendar year to file campaign statements electronically. Merts Plus software is provided to you free of charge to assist you in meeting this requirement.

Committee spent or received or expects to spend or receive in excess of \$20,000 and is required to file electronically.

**** OR ****

Committee did not spend or receive or does not expect to spend or receive in excess of \$20,000 and would like to file electronically voluntarily.

14. **Verification:** I/We certify that all reasonable diligence was used in the preparation of the above statement and that the contents are true, accurate and complete to the best of my/our knowledge or belief. If filing electronically, we further agree that the signatures below shall serve as the signatures that verify the accuracy and completeness of each statement filed electronically by the committee. I/We certify that all reasonable diligence will be used in the preparation of each statement electronically filed by this committee and that the contents of each statement will be true, accurate and complete to the best of my/our knowledge or belief. **(Sign Name and Date)**

Candidate:

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Current Treasurer:

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Designated Record Keeper (Required only if filing electronically):

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION FOR CANDIDATE COMMITTEES

As soon as an individual becomes a "candidate" under Michigan's Campaign Finance Act, P.A. 388 of 1976, as amended, he or she has 10 calendar days to form a Candidate Committee. After the committee's formation date, the candidate has an additional 10 calendar days to register the committee. A candidate registers a Candidate Committee by filing a Statement of Organization form with his or her filing official. A person becomes a candidate under the Campaign Finance Act on the date he or she:

- files a nominating petition, a filing fee or an affidavit of candidacy; or
- receives a contribution or makes an expenditure, or gives consent to someone else to receive a contribution or make an expenditure with a view to bringing about the individual's nomination or election to an elective office; or
- is nominated for an elective office by a political party caucus or convention.

EXCEPTION:

(1) A candidate who seeks a precinct delegate position is not required to file a Statement of Organization.

(2) A candidate who seeks a school board position in a school district with a pupil membership count of 2,400 or less AND receives or spends \$1,000.00 or less for the election is not required to file a Statement of Organization.

WHERE TO FILE THIS FORM

A candidate for a county, city, township, village, school or other local elective office is required to file two copies of this form with the clerk of the county in which he or she resides. **EXCEPTION:** A candidate for a school board seat that will be voted on in more than one county files two copies of this form with the clerk of the county in which the greatest number of voters eligible to vote on the office reside.

A candidate for a state elective office or judicial office is required to file two copies of this form with the Michigan Department of State, Bureau of Elections, Post Office Box 20126, Lansing, Michigan 48901. Office location: Treasury Building, 1st Floor, 430 West Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan 48918. Phone: 517/373-2540. The following are state elective offices: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Supreme Court Justice, State Senator, State Representative, State Board of Education Member, University of Michigan Regent, Michigan State University Trustee and Wayne State University Governor. Candidates for all judicial offices also file the Statement of Organization with the Bureau of Elections.

INSTRUCTIONS

Type or clearly print in ink all information requested on the Statement of Organization form. Each entry on the form is discussed below.

- ITEM 1:** On the original Statement of Organization, leave this item blank. An identification number will be assigned to the committee by the filing official. If an identification number has been assigned to the committee, enter it in Item 1.
- ITEM 2:** Indicate whether this is an original Statement of Organization or an amendment to a Statement of Organization already on file. If it is an amendment, list the number of the item(s) affected and the date the change took place. On an amendment, complete this item, the item(s) affected and Item 1, Item 3 and Item 14. **NOTE:** The information contained on the Statement of Organization must be kept up-to-date. If a change in the information takes place, an amended Statement of Organization must be filed no later than the due date of the first Campaign Statement required of the committee after the change. The candidate and the treasurer serving at the time of the change must sign an amendment.
- ITEM 3:** Enter the committee's official name. **The committee name must include the candidate's first and last name.**
- ITEM 4a:** Enter the Candidate's full name: last name, first name and middle initial, if any.
- ITEM 4b:** If the office sought by the candidate is a partisan office, enter the candidate's party affiliation.
- ITEM 4c:** Enter the candidate's county of residence.
- ITEM 4d:** Check the appropriate box to indicate the office sought by the candidate.
- ITEM 4e:** Enter the district number or jurisdiction (name of county, city, township, village or school district) served by the office.
- ITEM 5:** Enter the date the committee was formed. This form must be received by your filing official within **10 calendar days** after the committee's formation date. A late filing fee of \$10.00 per business day is assessed if this form is filed late.
- ITEM 6a:** Enter the committee's telephone number.
- ITEM 6b:** Enter the committee's fax number.
- ITEM 6c:** Enter the committee's e-mail address.
- ITEM 7a:** Enter the committee's mailing address if different from the committee's street address. A post office box is acceptable. All mail from the filing official will be directed to the committee's mailing address.
- ITEM 7b:** Enter the committee's street address. A post office box is **not** acceptable. (List the candidate's or treasurer's home address if no other address is available.)
- ITEM 8:** Enter the full name (last name, first name, middle initial, if any), mailing address, telephone number and e-mail address of the committee's treasurer. The candidate may serve as the committee's treasurer. A committee treasurer must be listed in this item.
- ITEM 9:** Enter the full name (last name, first name, middle initial, if any) telephone number and e-mail address of the designated record keeper, if the committee has one. This is the person, other than the treasurer, who will be responsible for the committee's records and Campaign Statement filings. If the committee's treasurer will personally handle these responsibilities, leave this item blank. A person designated in this item may sign Campaign Statements in place of the treasurer, but does **not** have the authority to sign a Statement of Organization form in place of the treasurer.
- ITEM 10:** **\$1,000.00 REPORTING WAIVER.** Check the box in Item 10 if the committee does not expect to receive or spend more than \$1,000.00 for any single election.
- Election means primary, general, special or millage election, or a convention or caucus of a political party held in this state to nominate a candidate. Election also includes a recall vote. If Item 10 is checked and the committee does not spend or receive more than \$1,000.00 for the election, the committee is granted a Reporting Waiver. A committee that never loses its Reporting Waiver by spending or receiving more than \$1,000.00 for an election is not required to file Campaign Statements.
- ITEM 11a:** Enter the name and address of the Michigan bank, savings and loan association or credit union that the committee now uses, intends to use or would use as its "official depository". While this item must be completed, an account does not have to be opened until the first contribution is received.
- ITEM 11b:** List the name and addresses of any "secondary depositories" the committee uses or intends to use. A secondary depository may be used only for the deposit of contributions; it may not be used for committee expenditures. (Refer to manual for Bingo exception.)
- ITEM 12:** Applies to gubernatorial candidates only.
- ITEM 13:** Read this section carefully and check the appropriate box. Committees filing with the county clerks office, skip to Item 14.
- ITEM 14:** Enter names where indicated. This form **must** be signed and dated by both the candidate and the committee's treasurer. If the candidate is serving as the committee's treasurer, the candidate signs once on the line for the candidate's signature.

**CONTRIBUTION LIMITS FOR STATE ELECTIVE OFFICES
(INCLUDES MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT)**

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/limits_charts_-_state_elective_65033_7.pdf

**Campaign Finance
Election Cycle Contribution Limits
** State Elective Offices ****

CONTRIBUTOR ➔ OFFICE ↓	Individual Contribution Limit	Political (PAC) Committee Contribution Limit	Independent (PAC) Committee Contribution Limit	Caucus (PAC) Committee Contribution Limit	District Political Party Committee Contribution Limit	County Political Party Committee Contribution Limit	State Political Party Committee Contribution Limit
Governor and Lt. Governor -- With Public Funding	\$3,400	\$3,400	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$750,000
Governor and Lt. Governor -- Without Public Funding	\$3,400	\$3,400	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$68,000
Secretary of State	\$3,400	\$3,400	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$68,000
Attorney General	\$3,400	\$3,400	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$68,000
State Senate	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$10,000	**Unlimited¹	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
State Representative	\$500	\$500	\$5,000	**Unlimited¹	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
State Board of Education	\$3,400	\$3,400	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$68,000
University of Michigan Regents	\$3,400	\$3,400	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$68,000
Michigan State University Trustees	\$3,400	\$3,400	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$68,000
Wayne State University Governors	\$3,400	\$3,400	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$68,000
Supreme Court	\$3,400	\$3,400	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$68,000

¹ A Senate or House Caucus committee is prohibited from making a contribution to or an expenditure on behalf of a State Representative or State Senate candidate if the candidate is running against opposition in a primary.

**CONTRIBUTION LIMITS FOR LOCAL ELECTIVE OFFICES
(INCLUDES JUDICIAL OFFICES)**

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/limits_chart_-_local_candidates_65032_7.pdf

Election Cycle Campaign Finance Contribution Limits

For

Local Elective Officials

County Offices

City, Township and Village Offices

Judicial Offices

Public School Boards

Community College Boards

PA 590 of 1996, an amendment to Michigan's Campaign Finance Act signed on January 21, 1997 establishes contribution limits per election cycle for all county, local and judicial offices. The contribution limits, listed in the following chart, are based on the population of the district represented by the office as reported under the 2000 U.S. Federal Census. The limits apply to contributions received on or after March 31, 1997.

The contribution limit for any office not specifically listed is \$500.00 for individuals and political committees and \$5,000 for independent committees, county political party committees, congressional district political party committees and state central political party committees.

Any questions concerning the information above can be directed to:

Michigan Department of State
Bureau of Elections
Post Office Box 20126
Lansing, Michigan 48901-0726
(517) 373-2540

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COUNTY OFFICES

The limits listed in the following chart are based on the population of the district from which the candidate is seeking election.
The limits apply to contributions received on or after March 31, 1997.

COUNTY NAME	Population – 250,000+	Population – 85,001 – 250,000	Population – 85,000 or Less
	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$3,400 Independent Committee - \$34,000 County Political Party Committee - \$34,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$1,000 Independent Committee - \$10,000 County Political Party Committee - \$10,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$500 Independent Committee - \$5,000 County Political Party Committee - \$5,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000
COUNTIES			
Allegan		County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Road Commissioners	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Bay		County Executive, County Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, Road Commissioners At-Large	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Berrien		County Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, Surveyor	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Calhoun		County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Drain Commissioner	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Eaton		County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Drain Commissioner	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Genesee	County Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Register of Deeds, Surveyor, Drain Commissioner		County Commissioners and any other elective county offices

COUNTY NAME	Population – 250,000+	Population – 85,001 – 250,000	Population – 85,000 or Less
	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$3,400 Independent Committee - \$34,000 County Political Party Committee - \$34,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$1,000 Independent Committee - \$10,000 County Political Party Committee - \$10,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$500 Independent Committee - \$5,000 County Political Party Committee - \$5,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000
Ingham	County Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner		County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Jackson		County Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, Surveyor	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Kalamazoo		County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Drain Commissioner, Surveyor	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Kent	County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Drain Commissioner		County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Lapeer		County Clerk, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Road Commissioners, Drain Commissioner, Surveyor	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Lenawee		County Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, Surveyor, Road Commissioners At-Large	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Livingston		County Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Macomb	County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Public Works Commissioner		County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Monroe		County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Sheriff, County Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Drain Commissioner, Surveyor	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices

COUNTY NAME	Population – 250,000+	Population – 85,001 – 250,000	Population – 85,000 or Less
	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$3,400 Independent Committee - \$34,000 County Political Party Committee - \$34,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$1,000 Independent Committee - \$10,000 County Political Party Committee - \$10,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$500 Independent Committee - \$5,000 County Political Party Committee - \$5,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000
Muskegon		County Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, Surveyor	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Oakland	County Executive, County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Drain Commissioner		County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Ottawa		County Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, Surveyor	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
St. Clair		County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Drain Commissioner, Surveyor	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Saginaw		County Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Register of Deeds, Public Works Commissioner, Auditor	County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Washtenaw	County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Drain Commissioner		County Commissioners and any other elective county offices
Wayne	County Executive, County Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Register of Deeds	County Commissioners	All other elective county offices
All Other Counties			All Elective County Offices

NOTE: Contribution limits are based on the election cycle for each office.

ELECTION CYCLE means one of the following Section 5(3) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act:

- (a) For a general election, the period beginning the day following the last general election in which the office appeared on the ballot and ending on the day of the general election in which the office next appears on the ballot.
- (b) For a special election, the period beginning the day a special general election is called or the date the office becomes vacant, whichever is earlier, and ending on the day of the special general election.

CITY, TOWNSHIP AND VILLAGE OFFICES

The limits listed in the following chart are based on the population of the district from which the candidate is seeking election.
The limits apply to contributions received on or after March 31, 1997.

CITY, TOWNSHIP, OR VILLAGE NAME	Population – 250,000+	Population – 85,001 – 250,000	Population – 85,000 or Less
	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$3,400 Independent Committee - \$34,000 County Political Party Committee - \$34,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$1,000 Independent Committee - \$10,000 County Political Party Committee - \$10,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$500 Independent Committee - \$5,000 County Political Party Committee - \$5,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000
CITIES			
Ann Arbor Washtenaw County		Mayor	City Council and all other elective city offices
Dearborn Wayne County		Mayor, City Clerk, City Council At-Large	City Council and all other elective city offices
Detroit Wayne County	Mayor, City Clerk, City Council At-Large		
Flint Genesee County		Mayor	City Council and all other elective city offices
Grand Rapids Kent County		Mayor, Comptroller	City Commissioners and all other elective city offices
Lansing Ingham/Eaton County		Mayor, City Clerk, City Council At-Large	City Council by Ward and all other elective city offices
Livonia Wayne County		Mayor, City Clerk, Treasurer, City Council At-Large (8)	All other elective city offices
Sterling Heights Macomb County		Mayor, City Council At-Large	All other elective city offices

CITY, TOWNSHIP, OR VILLAGE NAME	Population – 250,000+	Population – 85,001 – 250,000	Population – 85,000 or Less
	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$3,400 Independent Committee - \$34,000 County Political Party Committee - \$34,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$1,000 Independent Committee - \$10,000 County Political Party Committee - \$10,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$500 Independent Committee - \$5,000 County Political Party Committee - \$5,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000
Warren Macomb County		Mayor, City Council At-Large, City Clerk, Treasurer	All other elective city offices
Westland Wayne County		Mayor, City Council At-Large	All other elective city offices
All Other Cities			All Elective City Offices
TOWNSHIPS			
Clinton Township Macomb County		Township Clerk, Supervisor, Treasurer, Trustees At-Large, Constable	All other elective Township offices
All Other Townships			All Elective Township Offices
VILLAGES All villages in Michigan have populations of 85,000 or less.			All Elective Village Offices

NOTE: Contribution limits are based on the election cycle for each office.

ELECTION CYCLE means one of the following [Section 5(3) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act]:

- (a) For a general election, the period beginning the day following the last general election in which the office appeared on the ballot and ending on the day of the general election in which the office next appears on the ballot.
- (b) For a special election, the period beginning the day a special general election is called or the date the office becomes vacant, whichever is earlier, and ending on the day of the special general election.

JUDICIAL OFFICES

The limits listed in the following chart are based on the population of the district from which the candidate is seeking election. The limits apply to contributions received on or after March 31, 1997.

JUDICIAL OFFICE	Population – 250,000+	Population – 85,001 – 250,000	Population – 85,000 or Less
	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$3,400 Independent Committee - \$34,000 County Political Party Committee - \$34,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$1,000 Independent Committee - \$10,000 County Political Party Committee - \$10,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$500 Independent Committee - \$5,000 County Political Party Committee - \$5,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000
Court of Appeals	All Districts – 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd and 4 th .		
Circuit Courts	Circuits: 3 rd , 6 th , 7 th , 16 th , 17 th , 22 nd and 30 th	Circuits: 2 nd , 4 th , 8 th , 9 th , 10 th , 13 th , 14 th , 18 th , 20 th , 29 th , 31 st , 37 th , 38 th , 39 th , 40 th , 44 th , 48 th , and 56 th .	All other circuits
District Courts	Districts: 36 th	Districts: 1 st , 2A, 5 th , 8 th - Div. 3, 10 th , 12 th , 14A, 15 th , 16 th , 18 th , 19 th , 35 th , 37 th , 41A, 41B, 46 th , 47 th , 48 th , 52 nd – Div. 1, 52 nd – Div. 2, 52 nd – Div. 3, 52 nd – Div. 4, 53 rd , 54A, 55 th , 56A, 57 th , 58 th , 60 th , 61 st , 63 rd – Div. 1, 63 rd – Div. 2, 67 th – Div. 4, 68 th , 70 th – Div. 1, 70 th – Div. 2, 71A, 72 nd , 74 th and 86 th .	All other districts
Probate Courts	Genesee, Ingham, Kent, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw, and Wayne County probate courts.	Allegan, Bay, Berrien, Calhoun, Eaton, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lenawee, Livingston, Monroe, Muskegon, Ottawa, Saginaw and St. Clair county probate courts.	All other probate courts
Municipal Courts			All municipal courts

NOTE: Contribution limits are based on the election cycle for each office.

ELECTION CYCLE means one of the following [Section 5(3) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act]:

- (a) For a general election, the period beginning the day following the last general election in which the office appeared on the ballot and ending on the day of the general election in which the office next appears on the ballot.**
- (b) For a special election, the period beginning the day a special general election is called or the date the office becomes vacant, whichever is earlier, and ending on the day of the special general election.**

Michigan Supreme Court	CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$3,400 Independent Committee - \$34,000 County Political Party Committee - \$34,000 Congressional District Political Party Committee - \$34,000 State Central Political Party Committee - \$68,000
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PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARDS

The limits listed in the following chart are based on the population of the district from which the candidate is seeking election. The limits apply to contributions received on or after March 31, 1997.

PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARDS – SCHOOL DISTRICTS	Population – 250,000+ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$3,400 Independent Committee - \$34,000 County Political Party Committee - \$34,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000 </div>	Population – 85,001 – 250,000 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$1,000 Independent Committee - \$10,000 County Political Party Committee - \$10,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000 </div>	Population – 85,000 or Less <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$500 Independent Committee - \$5,000 County Political Party Committee - \$5,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000 </div>
PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS	Detroit City School District At-Large positions	Ann Arbor Public School District Dearborn City School District Detroit City School District-positions elected by district Farmington Public School District Flint City School District Grand Rapids City School District Kalamazoo City School District Lansing Public School District Livonia Public School District Plymouth-Canton Community SD Utica Community School District Wayne-Westland Community SD Walled Lake Consolidated Schools Warren Consolidated Schools	All other Michigan public school districts

NOTE: Contribution limits are based on the election cycle for each office.

ELECTION CYCLE means one of the following [Section 5(3) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act]:

- (a) For a general election, the period beginning the day following the last general election in which the office appeared on the ballot and ending on the day of the general election in which the office next appears on the ballot.
- (b) For a special election, the period beginning the day a special general election is called or the date the office becomes vacant, whichever is earlier, and ending on the day of the special general election.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARDS

The limits listed in the following chart are based on the population of the district from which the candidate is seeking election. The limits apply to contributions received on or after March 31, 1997.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARDS	Population – 250,000+ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$3,400 Independent Committee - \$34,000 County Political Party Committee - \$34,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$34,000 </div>	Population – 85,001 – 250,000 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$1,000 Independent Committee - \$10,000 County Political Party Committee - \$10,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$10,000 </div>	Population – 85,000 or Less <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> CONTRIBUTION LIMITS Individual or Political Committee - \$500 Independent Committee - \$5,000 County Political Party Committee - \$5,000 Cong. District Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000 State Central Pol. Party Committee - \$5,000 </div>
COMMUNITY COLLEGES	Delta Community College Grand Rapids Community College Lansing Community College Macomb Community College Mott Community College Oakland Community College Schoolcraft Community College Washtenaw Community College Wayne Community College	Henry Ford Community College Jackson Community College Kalamazoo Valley Community College Kellogg Community College Lake Michigan Community College Monroe Community College Muskegon Community College St. Clair Community College	All other community colleges

NOTE: Contribution limits are based on the election cycle for each office.

ELECTION CYCLE means one of the following [Section 5(3) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act]:

- (a) For a general election, the period beginning the day following the last general election in which the office appeared on the ballot and ending on the day of the general election in which the office next appears on the ballot.
- (b) For a special election, the period beginning the day a special general election is called or the date the office becomes vacant, whichever is earlier, and ending on the day of the special general election.

MICHIGAN ELECTION CYCLES CHART

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/MICHIGAN_ELECTION_CYCLE_05___info_116581_7.pdf

MICHIGAN ELECTION CYCLES for 2, 4, 6 & 8 YEAR TERMS OF OFFICE

Office Sought	Date Elected (Last General Election Date)	Starting Date of Election Cycle (Day After Last General Election)	Ending Date of Election Cycle (Next General Election Date)
Supreme Court	11/3/98 (8 Year Term)	11/4/98	11/7/06
State Board of Education	11/7/00 (8 Year Term)	11/8/00	11/4/08
State University Boards	11/5/02 (8 Year Term)	11/6/02	11/2/10
	11/2/04 (8 Year Term)	11/3/04	11/6/12
Court of Appeals	11/7/00 (6 Year Term)	11/8/00	11/7/06
Circuit Court	11/5/02 (6 Year Term)	11/6/02	11/4/08
District Court	11/2/04 (6 Year Term)	11/3/04	11/2/10
Municipal Court	11/5/02 (4 Year Term)	11/6/02	11/7/06
	11/2/04 (4 Year Term)	11/3/04	11/4/08
Governor	11/5/02 (4 Year Term)	11/6/02	11/7/06
Attorney General			
Secretary of State			
State Senator			
State Representative	11/2/04 (2 Year Term)	11/3/04	11/7/06
Ballot Issues Use 2 Year Cycle	11/2/04 (2 Year Term)	11/3/04	11/7/06

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MICHIGAN ELECTION CYCLES – 2, 4, 6 & 8 YEAR CYCLES

Elections Cycles extend from the day after the date of the last general election the office was on the ballot through the date of the next general election the office is on the ballot again.

Governor is elected to a 4 year term at even year general elections

Secretary of State is elected to a 4 year term at even year general elections

Attorney General is elected to a 4 year term at even year general elections

State Senators are elected to 4 year terms at even year general elections

State Representatives are elected to 2 year terms at staggered even year general elections

State Board of Education Members are elected to 8 year terms at staggered even year general elections

University Board Members are elected to 8 year terms at staggered even year general elections

Michigan State University Trustee

University of Michigan Regent

Wayne State University Governor

State Supreme Court Justices are elected to 8 year terms at staggered even year general elections

Court of Appeals Judges are elected to 6 year terms at staggered even year general elections

Circuit Court Judges are elected to 6 year terms at staggered even year general elections

District Court Judges are elected to 6 year terms at staggered even year general elections

Municipal Court Judges are elected to 4 year terms at staggered even year general elections

Ballot Issues – Ballot Questions - refer the 2 year cycle preceding the election in which an issue appears on the ballot

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**2006 CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING DATES TO
REMEMBER**

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CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING DATES TO REMEMBER

Committees that qualify for the \$1,000.00 Reporting Waiver are not required to file Annual Campaign Statements, Campaign Statements before and after primaries and elections or Triannual Campaign Statements.

Independent and Political Committees registered on the state level file three Campaign Statements a year on fixed dates; Caucus Committees registered on the state level file four Campaign Statements a year on fixed dates. (See reverse side of card.)

If your committee participates in a primary, a political party convention or an election not listed here, contact your filing official for applicable filing dates.

Pre-Election Campaign Statements close on the 16th day prior to the election and must be filed no later than the 11th day prior to the election; Post-Election Campaign Statements close on the 20th day after the election and must be filed no later than the 30th day after the election.

REGISTERED ON STATE LEVEL

December 31, 2005	Close of books (Caucus Committees only).
January 31	Campaign Statement filing deadline (Caucus Committees only).
April 20	Close of books.
April 25	Campaign Statement filing deadline.
July 20	Close of books.
July 25	Campaign Statement filing deadline.
October 20	Close of books.
October 25	Campaign Statement filing deadline.

2007 ANNUAL

December 31, 2006	Close of books for Annual reporting period.
January 31, 2007	Annual Campaign Statement filing deadline.

An Annual Campaign Statement is not required of a committee that qualifies for the \$1,000.00 Reporting Waiver; a committee that files a Post-Election Campaign Statement during December; an Independent or Political Committee registered on the State level; an incumbent judge; or an officer whose salary is less than \$100.00 a month.

February 28 Election

Feb. 12	Close of books for Pre-Election reporting period.
Feb. 17	Pre-Election Campaign Statement filing deadline.
Feb. 28	Election
Mar. 20	Close of books for Post-Election reporting period.
Mar. 30	Post-Election Campaign Statement filing deadline.

May 2 Election

Apr. 16	Close of books for Pre-Election reporting period.
Apr. 21	Pre-Election Campaign Statement filing deadline.
May 2	Election
May 22	Close of books for Post-Election reporting period.
Jun. 1	Post-Election Campaign Statement filing deadline.

August 8 Election

Jul. 23	Close of books for Pre-Election reporting period.
Jul. 28	Pre-Election Campaign Statement filing deadline.
Aug. 8	Election
Aug. 28	Close of books for Post-Election reporting period.
Sep. 7	Post-Election Campaign Statement filing deadline.

November 7 Election

Oct. 22	Close of books for Pre-Election reporting period.
Oct. 27	Pre-Election Campaign Statement filing deadline.
Nov. 7	Election
Nov. 27	Close of books for Post-Election reporting period.
Dec. 7	Post-Election Campaign Statement filing deadline.

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MANDATORY ELECTRONIC FILING



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IMPORTANT NOTICE

MANDATORY ELECTRONIC FILING

All state level committees that spend or receive \$20,000.00 or more in a calendar year are required to file their campaign finance reports electronically. Filing "electronically" means via the Internet or by disk in an approved format.

To assist with the electronic disclosure requirement, the Bureau of Elections has developed a cost-free software program, commonly called "Merts Plus" (Michigan Electronic Reporting and Tracking System). All committees that file with this office are encouraged to file electronically even if the committee does not expect to meet the \$20,000.00 receipt/expenditure threshold explained above.

To register for the software, simply fill out and file an amended Statement of Organization form. Care must be taken in filling out the Merts Plus section and obtaining all of the applicable signatures. After the registration is processed, committee members are eligible for software training. You can log on to www.mertsplus.com to sign up for on-site training in Lansing or take advantage of our on-line training. The software is not distributed unless and until a committee representative has completed the training.

Committees that wish to file via the Internet are issued a password. After the training, you can request a password via www.mertsplus.com by clicking the "Password Assignment" link on the left-hand side of the Web page. Once the password has been issued, it does not expire and can be used for all of the committee's filings. Questions concerning use of the software should be directed to the Merts Plus Tech Support at (703) 749-4642 or sent by e-mail to merts.techsupport@nicusa.com.

You are encouraged to register and receive training as soon as possible. Once a committee meets the requirement to file electronically, all Campaign Statements from that point forward must be filed electronically. Late filing fees will be assessed for a Statement subject to the electronic filing requirement that is filed by some other means.